

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3736**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 10988.0005-05000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 3736
Donald Schomer et al.	)	
	)	Examiner: Sean Patrick Dougherty
Application No.: 10/595,536	)	
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Filed: February 8, 2007	)	Confirmation No.: 7815
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For: SPINAL LIGAMENT	)	VIA EFS WEB
MODIFICATION DEVICES	)	

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 21, 2009, and pursuant to  
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.